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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP, OREP
SUBJECT: CODEL TSONGAS/BONKER: STAFFDEL VAN VOORST

1. THE GOVT OF THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (GSDR) WAS RECEPTIVE TO THE PROPOSED VISIT OF CODEL AND STAFFDEL. ACTING DIRECTOR FOR PROTOCOL OMAR MOHAMED UMAL ACCEPTED EMBASSY'S SUGGESTION THAT THE DELEGATION CALL ON MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENSE, FINANCE AND CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. (EMBASSY DOUBTS DEFENSE MINISTER WILL ACTUALLY BE AVAILABLE BUT EXPECTS AT LEAST A VICE MINISTER OF DEFENSE WILL RECEIVE DELEGATION.) OMAR SUGGESTED THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE DELEGATION CALL ON PRESIDENT SIAD AS WELL, BUT SAID HE COULD NOT PROMISE THAT AS A CERTAINTY. OMAR ADDED HE WOULD ALSO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF DELEGATION TOURING AN APPROPRIATE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN THE VICINITY OF MOGADISCIO.

2. EMBASSY ASSUMES THERE IS NO OBJECTION BY EITHER CODEL OR STAFFDEL TO COMBINING THE PROGRAM FOR MOGADISCIO. SINCE BOTH DELEGATIONS ARRIVE AND DEPART ON SAME FLIGHTS AND TRIP OBJECTIVES ARE SIMILAR, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR US TO HANDLE IT IN ANY
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OTHER MANNER AND IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE GSDR TO UNDERSTAND IF DUPLICATION WERE NECESSARY. SCHEDULE WILL ALLOW SOME FLEXIBILITY. THE EMBASSY WOULD BE HAPPY ACCOMMODATE INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE GENERAL PROGRAM. EMBASSY'S EXPERIENCE WITH SIMILAR VISITS INDICATES WE ARE UNLIKELY TO HAVE FINAL SCHEDULE IN OUR HANDS UNTIL THE CODEL/STAFFDEL ARRIVAL. TENTATIVE PLAN CALLS FOR INFORMAL EMBASSY BRIEFINGS ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DEC 15; HALF

DAY TOUR OF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY ON FRIDAY DEC 16 (GSDR SABBATH) WITH
HALF DAY FOR RECREATION OR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY STAFF.
DEC 17 - CALLS ON SOMALI OFFICIALS WITH AMBASSADOR HOSTING A DINNER
FOR THE DELEGATION WITH SOMALI AND OTHER DIPLOMATIC AND UN AND
EEC GOESTS. SUNDAY DEC 18, FINAL CALLS AND DEPARTURE.

3. PLEASE CONFIRM CODEL AND STAFFDEL HAVE SOMALI VISAS AND
SMALLPOX AND CHOLERA IMMUNIZATION CERTIFICATES.

4. FOUR SINGLES RESERVED ARUBA HOTEL DEC 15 THRU DEV 18.

5. CONTROL OFFICER IS DCM JOHN R. VOUGHT; HOME PHONE 32014,
EMBASSY PHONE 28011. ALTERNATE IS PAO RALPH J. CRAWFORD; HOME
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